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SETTING UP OF SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Special Economic Zones(SEZs) functioning in the country till January 31, 2007, State-wise and Zone-wise;

(b) the number of applications received and cleared till January 31, 2007 for setting up of SEZs in the country, State-wise and Zone-wise;

(c) whether any study or assessment has been made so far regarding the total employment generated and the role of private participation through these SEZs till January 31, 2007;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government has reviewed the Special Economic Zone Act and Rule of 2005 in the light of certain issues which came up connected with the functioning of the SEZs; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the incentives provided/offered to the private sector?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) & (b) State-wise details of Special Economic Zones (SEZs) functioning/ notified and that of applications received and cleared (approved) till January 31, 2007, are annexed.

(c) & (d): At present, the SEZs established prior to the Act, 2005 are providing direct employment to over 1.79 lakh persons. The 63 SEZs notified under the SEZ Act are providing employment to 15,097 persons and investments of about Rs. 11000 crores have already been made in less than one year in these SEZs.

(e) & (f) Fiscal incentives provided for development, operation and maintenance are provided in Section 26 of the SEZ Act, 2005. An Empowered Group of Ministers (EGOM) has been constituted to consider issues relating to SEZs and matters relating to functioning of SEZs are regularly monitored and reviewed by the EGOM.

#This includes the SEZs established prior to operationalisation of the SEZ Act, 2005 .

S.No.	Name of the State/UT	No. of SEZs for which formal approval granted	No. of functional/ notified SEZs
1	Andhra Pradesh	44	16
2	Chandigarh	02	1
3	Delhi	01	-
4	Goa	04	-
5	Gujarat	19	9
6	Haryana	19	2
7	Jharkhand	01	1
8	Karnataka	27	10
9	Kerala	10	6
10	Madhya Pradesh	04	3
11	Maharashtra	47	8
12	Orissa	05	-
13	Pondicherry	01	-
14	Punjab	04	1
15	Rajasthan	03	2
16	Tamil Nadu	25	14
17	Uttaranchal	03	-
18	Uttar Pradesh	08	5
19	West Bengal	07	4
	TOTAL	234	82#